

As to fossils I care only for first
rate specimens of the Trilobites
& the rarer kinds of Silurians

Remain my respectful
Yrs friend W. B.

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My dear Sir.

The Hon. Mr. Ellsworth Selig?
at the Patent Office, whence I only
recd. them yesterday, your letter
of the 30 & one from S. B. Buckley
of West Dresden, of the 28th. April,
together with a collection of Caries
from you, & a package of dried plants
from Mr. Buckley, for the National
Institute. These donations are
welcome will be presented in
your name, & credit given to you
both in our next or 4th Bulletin
wh. I hope to publish now very
soon. Accept the thanks of the
Members for your kindness & be
good enough to show this letter
to Mr. Buckley wh. is intended
as an answer to both of you -
You ask for the Bulletin of
the Institute, S. B. wishes
them & Fremont's Report. I wd.
gladly

gladly send the Bulletin if in
my power, but the fact stands
thus. The first & 2^d Bulletins
were published gratuitously & were
widely distributed so few of
them remain that they are re-
served for particular purposes -
When the 3^d Bulletin, wh. compre-
hends the proceedings of the Great
Meeting of April 1844, it was
deemed proper to do it by sub-
scription to pay the expenses
incurred by the first two Bulletins
as well as for the general expenses
of the Institute - Five dollars
was the price fixed upon & my
practice now is when any one
sends \$5 for a copy of the 3^d
Bulletin to add the 1st & 2^d -

As to the 4th Bulletin I
have prepared all the materials
for it, & only wait till we can
raise funds enough to pay for it.
Then I will put it to the press.

altho' I can not on the part
of the Institute send you these
Bulletins or Freeman's Report, or
any other Scientific Report, yet I
am in the habit of buying them
to send to correspondents with
whom I exchange minerals.
Lapis - I have a large & splendid
cabinet of minerals, & I am
willing to send documents & minerals
both foreign & domestic in ex-
change for extremely beautiful
rare minerals of our country;
but I want no specimens that
are not very valuable. Fine, such
as superb crystals of ^{the varieties of} ~~various~~ Spinel
of Orange Co. - Splendid xx apatite -
Zircon - Columbite, large x? Ameri-
can minerals of beauty & value &
of a large size - For such, if you
can command them I wd. send
ample equivalents - If this pro-
position be acceptable, be kind enough
to write to me on the subject fully,
you Selw. Buckley -

As to